No. of Exchanges to be commissioned from 1-4-92 to 31-12-92.

1.	Thane RULU	4·0 K
2.	Vile Parle—3	3·0 K
3.	Marol—4	10·0 K
4.	Mankhurd—2	2·0 K
5.	Cooperage—6	2·0 K
6.	Malabar Hill—3	4·0 K
7.	Thane Cherai RLU	1·0 K
8.	Mumbra RLU	1·0 K
9.	Chembur RLU	3·0 K
10.	Panvel RLU	1·0 K
11.	Byculla RLU	1·0 K

This Commissioning programme depends on the timely receipt of equipment and printed circuit boards.

Working cost of post card/inland letter card

2320. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the working costs of Post Card and Inland Letter Card;

(b) how much loss Government incur annually on these two articles;

(c) whether there is any proposal to abolish Post Card; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

TEH DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU):

(a) The working costs are as under :

Postcard	124.69 paise per unit
Inland letter card	140.84 paise per unit

(b) position of loss is as under :

Postcard	Rs. 79.09 crores per annum
Inland letter card	Rs. 57.36 crores per annum

(c) No, Sir.

(d) In view of reply to (c) above, question of details does not arise.

Grant of Autonomy to regional telecom circles

2321. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to grant autonomy to the Regional Telecom Circles as a part of the restructuring of the Telecom Sector; and

(b) if so, how it is likely to affect the Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd.?